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**PATENT APPLICATION**

**RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR §1.116  
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE  
TECHNOLOGY CENTER ART UNIT 2653**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re the Application of

Noriaki KASAHARA et al.

Group Art Unit: 2653

Application No.: 10/041,637

Examiner: D. Ometz

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For: **THIN-FILM MAGNETIC HEAD AND METHOD OF MANUFACTURING SAME,  
AND METHOD OF FORMING A PATTERNED THIN FILM FOR A THIN-FILM  
MAGNETIC HEAD**

**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116**

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In reply to the April 1, 2004 Office Action, please consider the following:

**Amendments to the Claims** as reflected in the listing of claims; and

**Remarks.**

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